[Unit 2. Mexican Legenus
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Understandings	 Western languages have certain structural similarities.
	 What constitutes a legend?
Essential	What kind of legends exist in the United States?
Questions	What themes are in Mexican legends?
	How do Mexican legends differ from legends in the United States?
	How do cultural differences manifest themselves in legends?
	 Culture is represented in Mexican legends.
Essential	 Specific themes are portrayed in Mexican legends.
Knowledge	 Mexican legends differ from those in the United States and other
	western countries.
	Terms:
Vocabulary	 vocabulary specific to literature
	 Identify a legend from our culture.
Essential	 Describe what constitutes a legend.
Skills	 Identify cultural significance of the legend.
	 Compare and contrast legends from their culture and those of
	Mexico.
	World Languages
	A. Communication
	A1. Interpersonal
	Students express their own thoughts and opinions about
	familiar topics and elicit the thoughts and opinions of others by
	using strings of sentences and/or short paragraphs. Students
Related	of modern languages use pronunciation and intonation which
Maine Learning	would be comprehensible to a native speaker accustomed to
Results	interacting with language learners.
	a. Interact in a variety of social situations including formal and
	informal personal exchanges and/or phone inquiries.
	b. Provide and exchange detailed information on familiar
	topics, orally and in writing.
	c. Describe and explain states of being, orally or in sign
	language, and in writing.
	d. Express agreement and disagreement, orally and in writing,
	supporting opinions with simple reasoning.

	 A2. Interpretive Students comprehend conversations, narratives, and recorded material in familiar contexts that are longer and/or more complex than those in the 6-8 grade span. a. Identify main ideas, topics and specific information in a variety of authentic written/signed materials. b. Identify main ideas, topics, and specific information in authentic films. A3. Presentational
Related	 Students express their own thoughts to describe and narrate in oral/signed and written presentations using strings of sentences and/or short paragraphs and with sufficient accuracy in form and pronunciation that could be understood by native speakers accustomed to interacting with language learners. a. Read authentic passages aloud with appropriate pronunciation, phrasing, and into notion. b. Relate a story about a personal experience or event orally or in sign language. c. Paraphrase and/or summarize texts orally or in sign language, and in writing using a presentational format. d. Write/sign brief narrative compositions and expository/informational compositions.
Maine Learning	A4. Language Comparisons
Results	Students use their understanding of the nature of language to enhance their communication in the target language.
	a. Compare a variety of grammatical structures and syntax
	between languages.
	 Identify examples of vocabulary in both languages that do not translate directly form one language to another.
	c. Use idiomatic expressions and/or proverbs in the target
	language.
	d. Identify examples of how vocabulary (in English and the
	target language) that convey different meanings in different contexts.

	B. Culture
	B1. Practice and Perspectives
	Students identify and explain how perspectives of a culture(s)
	are related to cultural practices of a culture(s) in which the
	target language is spoken
	a. Identify and explain the reason behind significant practices
	of a culture(s) in which the target language is spoken.
	b. Describe stereotypes associated with perspectives of a
	culture(s) in which the target language is spoken.
	c. Identify differences in cultural practices among peoples that
	speak the same language.
	B3. Comparison with Own Culture
	Students explain how products, practices, and perspectives of a
	culture(s) in which the target language is spoken contribute to
	the culture in which the student lives.
	a. Identify and compare influential figures fro the two cultures.
	b. Explain the reasons for a variety of similarities and
	differences between the culture in which the student lives
Related	and the culture(s) in which the target language is spoken.
Maine Learning	c. Use the target language in a manner that would be
Results	considered appropriate by native speakers and explains
Results	what makes it appropriate communication.
	C. Connections
	C1. Knowledge of Other Learning Results Content Areas
	Students use the target language to enhance their knowledge
	of other Learning Results content areas.
	a. Provide examples of grammatical knowledge acquired in the
	target language that are used to achieve a better
	understanding of grammatical structures in English.
	b. Provide examples of information gathered through target
	language resources that are applied in other Learning
	Results content areas.
	C2. Distinctive Viewpoints
	Students located authentic resources and describe ideas about
	the target language and associated culture(s) that are available
	only through sources in the target language.
	a. Interpret short prose, poetry, or plays in the target language
	that reflect the culture(s) in which the target language is
	spoken and make connections to the viewpoints of the
	culture associated with the target language(s).
	b. Locate selected magazines, newspapers, authentic
	entertainment media and electronic media in the target
	language and use these media as the basis for describing
	the viewpoints of the culture associated with the target

language.

Related Maine Learning Results	 D. Communities D1. Communities Students demonstrate their understanding an use their knowledge of the target language to communicate with target language speakers and to understand the importance of culture and language in the 21st century. b. Independently access a variety of target language sources for one's own entertainment or enrichment. c. Explain how personal, educational, and career opportunities are expanded and enhanced by knowledge of the target language and associated culture(s).
Sample Lessons And Activities	 Read and discuss legends in Spanish. Write a legend specific to Maine in Spanish.
Sample Classroom Assessment Methods	 Illustrate a part of a legend and explain to the class. Written and oral interpretation of a legend. Retell a legend.
Sample Resources	 <u>Publications:</u> Legends of Mexico